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A METHOD FOR CONNECTING THE PUBLIC TELEPHONE NETWORK TO THE INTERNET

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[0001] BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] 1.0 Field of the invention

5 [0003] The invention relates to a method for connecting the public telephone network to the Internet, by dialing a number for obtaining a connection.

[0004] 2.0 Description of the Related Art

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[0005] Such a method is known from the publication:
"Computer Communications" XP00413222. On page 1421 - right
column - it is remarked: "In the case of a dial-up lines,
the number (usually assigned by the computer center for
setting up the host) needs to be dialed for connection..."

[0006] So it is the Internet Service Provider - ISP -, who decides where its calling points - which can be indicated as POP'S: Points of Presence - can be positioned and who will take care for the installation of normal telephone-connections to these PoP's .

[0007] In case of the relatively small numbers of incall-connections, as in the early days of the Internet,